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SBA Announces Appointment of Cassius Butts as Administrator for Region IV

WASHINGTON – Today, the U.S. Small Business Administration announced the appointment of Cassius Butts as the Regional Administrator for Region IV, to oversee the SBA's programs and services in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee.

"Both the SBA and small businesses in the Southeast region will benefit greatly from Cassius' experience promoting and communicating government initiatives throughout the region," said SBA Administrator Karen Mills. "With his background in education and outreach, business development, and public policy, Cassius will be a tremendous asset to help small businesses grow and create jobs."

"Having served this region in leadership capacities for nineteen years, I am excited to build on the connections I have established with community leaders, advocates and officials in order to benefit small businesses," said Butts. "I look forward to working with Administrator Mills and the Region IV SBA staff to support small businesses and implement the President's vision for small business job creation."

Butts continued his career in public service ten years ago through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as a Presidential Management Fellow. Previously, he served as a department manager with a national financial institution and served in the executive office of local government. Butts is currently one of three chiefs responsible for marketing, sales and management of HUD's properties within the region. Through his work with HUD and the Federal Housing Administration, Butts has communicated and marketed guidelines and policies to community programs, Fortune 500 corporate sponsors and mortgage companies throughout the state of Georgia. He is also a past Federal Executive Board employee of the year nominee and finalist.

For the past five years, Butts has also worked as a visiting professor at DeVry University's Keller Graduate School of Management in Cobb County, GA, teaching public administration courses and organizing annual career development seminars at local high schools. Since 2005, Butts has acted as the principle consultant for CB Consulting Group, LLC, advising clients on the development of their business plans and providing his services at no cost to clients.

Butts earned a bachelor of arts from Morehouse College and a master's degree in Public Administration from Clark Atlanta University. As Region IV Administrator, Butts will oversee SBA's district offices in Atlanta, GA, Birmingham, AL, Jacksonville and Miami, FL, Louisville, KY, Jackson, MS, Charlotte, NC, Columbia, SC, and Nashville, TN.